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Subject: 5 watt SSB QSO!
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Today for fun and to test out how well one could do with low power SSB I turned my Atlas 210X down to 5 watts. I heard a loud station and called him. After he came back to me I asked him for a signal report. He gave me a 53-54 with good audio. I then told him he I was running only 5 watts. He said well you are doing fine business with that low power that's for sure. We chatted a bit more and then signed. This was on 40 meters in the middle of the day. I imagine at night it would be a little tougher. 8-) Also getting back to QRP rigs and new hams, I am convinced that if they had a rig that put out anywhere from 5 to 20 watts they could do just fine whether it would be CW or SSB. Hmmm, a NorCal QRP SSB rig with available 15 watt amplifier..... 8-)

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From owner-qrp-l@netcom.com Sun Sep 25 21:49:34 1994
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Subject: About MILLIWATT reprints
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It's now 25 Sept, and I've received checks from Rich McAllister, Jeff Anderson, N00QT, KB0IHQ, N9NVV and KC5CUW, with lots of e-mails saying more are on the way. Please note that I am taking advance orders ONLY, and we will not be building up any stock for future sales (that requires us to put up lots of \$\$\$ from our bank accounts, which we don't like to do for a non-profit operation). If you want a copy, please order now. There's somewhat over a week left; if you're running late and getting near the deadline and still want to order, send an e-mail and let me know the check is on the way so we can order enough.
73 and Queue Our Pea DE WA8MCQ

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Date: Sat, 24 Sep 1994 15:50:19
Subject: Re: QRP for starting ham
From: mjsilva@ted.win.net (Michael Silva)

I think some recent comments on the inadvisability of QRP for a beginning ham have overstated the difficulties involved. I'll bet very few of us, in fact, very few hams throughout our history, first went on the air with a 100+ watt rig. I started at about 5-10 watts, because that's what I could afford to build. Unless things have changed drastically in twenty years (always a possibility, I suppose!) a new ham is probably delighted to just collect states for a while, which is easy enough with almost any rig. I just don't remember that frustration that others speak of, probably because I didn't expect **anyone** would hear me!

What I would emphasize to a new ham is (a) the importance of a good receiver, and a good antenna, and (b) the value of building skills and confidence with "easy" contacts before going after the tough ones. For the rest of us, I hope we all make sure to spend some time on the Novice bands to help the new folks along.

73,
Mike, KK6GM

From owner-qrp-l@netcom.com Mon Sep 26 03:26:06 1994
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Hi QRP'rs,

Doug, KI6DS wrote...

>I am so excited that I can hardly stand it. I just finished a 35 minute
>solid copy SSB QRP Qso with VE7QK, Derry, VE7TX, Joe, VE7ZM, Bruce, >VE7GO
>Stan, and VE7JO Bill.

All of whom were using Epiphyte transceivers running .5 to 5 watts, with reports of excellent audio.

I'm just wondering, what does the Epiphyte design consist of? Is the receiver superhet or DC, is the transmitter phasing or filter? What are the ceramic filters used for?

Rest of article deleted... Good Luck at Dayton West!

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From owner-qrp-l@netcom.com Mon Sep 26 05:44:02 1994
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Subject: tidbit

Here's a tidbit: When winding an inductor that's **not** to be close wound (such as when using bare wire) you can keep the spacing between winds uniform by threading nylon or dacron line between the winds (actually any synthetic twine-like string or line will do). I'd stay away from any natural materials such as cotton since they might absorb moisture.

The inductor of my antenna tuner looked awful because the spacing between the winds varied so much. Now with dacron line laid in the space between the winds they're much more uniform.

If you wind your inductors on those donut-shaped things that have gotten popular (torus? toroid?) this idea probably won't work; all my inductors are air-core on cardboard forms.

This idea came from a transmitter article in the March 1932 issue of QST (yes, 1932! Thanks Bob NA4G for that article).

.73 from Hawaii,
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